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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: PROPOSED URANIUM EXTRACTION
--- PLANT, NORTHERN ITALY

1. SUMMARY
COMMERCE MEPD HAS BEEN ADVISED BY FLUOR-UTAH CORPORATION OF
ITS ACTIVITIES ON BIDDING THE AGIP URANIUM EXTRACTION
PLANT LOCATED NEAR BERGANO IN NORTHERN ITALY. THE BID DATE
FOR THIS PROJECT IS OCTOBER 15 AND IT IS REQUESTED THAT
EMBASSY PROVIDE ALL APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE TO FLUOR-UTAH.

2. FLUOR-UTAH IS ONE OF TWO EXPECTED BIDDERS FOR THIS

PROJECT. THE OTHER BIDDER IS PECHINEY OF FRANCE.
PECHINEY HAS BEEN VERY AGGRESSIVE IN PURSUING THIS
OPPORTUNITY AND IS PROBABLY STRESSING EXISTING ITALIAN-
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CONSIDERATION TO GO WITH FRENCH TECHNOLOGY.

3. AGIP (SUBSIDIARY OF ENI) HAS ASKED FOR BIDS ON THIS PLANT TO PROCESS THE URANIUM ORE FROM THE MINE THROUGH MILLING. FLUOR-UTAH WILL PROPOSE A 327,000 POUND CAPACITY PRODUCTION - PLANT OF U3O8 (YELLOWCAKE), PROCESSING

3,000 TO 4,000 TONS OF URANIUM ORE PER WEEK. FLUOR-UTAH ESTIMATES THE VALUE OF U.S. SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT AT 15 MILLION DOLLARS AND IS IN CONTACT WITH EXIMBANK REGARDING THE POSSIBLE REQUIREMENT FOR THE FINANCING OF THIS PROJECT.

4. AS FURTHER BACKGROUND, FLUOR-UTAH HAS MET WITH

UMBERTO CORDERRO OF AGIP WHEN HE WAS IN THE U.S. EARLIER THIS MONTH. DURING CORDERRO'S STAY, HE VISITED A URANIUM EXTRACTION PLANT IN COLORADO. DR. GIACOMO VALDAZZI OF ENI AND RESIDNET IN DENVER ALSO VISITED THIS PLANT.

5. FLUOR-UTAH WOULD LIKE AN OPPORTUNITY TO BRIEF THE EMBASSY ON THIS PROJECT AND TO DISCUSS HOW EMBASSY CAN BE OF ASSISTANCE. MR. DAVID GOODMAN OF FLUOR-UTAH LONDON OFFICE CAN BE EXPECTED TO CALL ON THE EMBASSY IN THE NEAR FUTURE. WE SUGGESTED THAT MR. GOODMAN CONTACT MR. A. L. ZUCCA OF ECON/COM SECTION ON THIS PROJECT. KISSINGER

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